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Amendments to the Claims

The listing of claims below is intended to replace all prior listings of the claims:

- 1. (currently amended) A quaternary co-ground powdered composition consisting essentially of comprising propolis, as active substance, a hydrophilic carrier and two co-grinding auxiliary substances, of which one is an amino acid and one is glycyrrhizate.
- 2. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1 wherein said composition has a greater aqueous solubility than the corresponding ternary composition wherein the sole auxiliary substance consists of an amino acid acids.
- 3. (previously presented) The composition of claim 1 wherein the hydrophilic carrier is selected from the group consisting of cyclodextrins.
- 4. (previously presented) The composition of claim 1 wherein the amino acid auxiliary substance is an amino acid selected from the group consisting of glycine, glutamic acid, lysine and serine.
- 5. (previously presented) The composition of claim 1 wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the carrier is between 1:1 and 1:20.
- 6. (previously presented) The composition of claim 5 wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the carrier is between 1:5 and 1:8.
- 7. (previously presented) The composition of claim 1 wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the amino acid auxiliary substance is between 1:0.1 and 1:2.
- 8. (previously presented) The composition of claim 7 wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the amino acid auxiliary substance is between 1:0.2 and 1:1.

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- 9. (previously presented) The composition of claim 1 wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the second glycyrrhizate co-grinding auxiliary substance is between 1:0.5 and 1:2.
- 10. (previously presented) The composition of claim 9 wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the glycyrrhizate co-grinding auxiliary substance is 1:1.
- 11. (currently amended) A quaternary co-ground powdered composition consisting essentially of emprising propolis, as active substance, a hydrophilic carrier selected from the group consisting of cyclodextrins, and two co-grinding auxiliary substances of which one is an amino acid selected from the group consisting of glycine, glutamic acid, lysine and serine and one is glycyrrhizate, wherein the weight ratios between the propolis active substance, hydrophilic carrier, the amino acid and glycyrrhizate co-grinding auxiliary substances are 1:7.5:0.5:1.

12-14. (canceled)

- 15. (currently amended) The A mixture comprising the composition of claim 1 wherein said composition is combined with suitable excipients or diluents or combination thereof for preparation of products for use as dietary supplements.
- 16. (currently amended) The A mixture comprising the composition of claim 1 wherein said composition is combined with suitable excipients or diluents or combination thereof for preparation of products for parapharmaceutical use.
- 17. (currently amended) The A mixture comprising the composition of claim 1 wherein said composition is combined with suitable excipients or diluents or combination thereof for preparation of products for dermocosmetic use.
- 18. (currently amended) The composition mixture of claim 17 wherein said products are selected from the group consisting of powders, lotions, creams, ointments, pastes, gels, and stick.

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19. (canceled)

- 20. (currently amended) The composition mixture of claim 15 wherein said products are selected from the group consisting of powders, capsules, tablets, pastes, gels, solutions and suspensions.
- 21. (currently amended) The composition mixture of claim 16 wherein said products are selected from the group consisting of powders, capsules, tablets, pastes, gels, solutions, suspensions and spray.